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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 is every bit as important to our worldwide status as the Modified Final Judgement. Without both of these two, telecommunications would not have developed at the rate that it did nor will it continue to develop as fast as it might. As a former AT&T employee who helped plan and implement these modern networks, I choose to use ONLY AT&T Mobility and have all other services (landline and internet) provided by a regional competitor.

Why? The competitor offers better pricing, better customer support, and mostly more advanced speed. I could move to fiber on AT&T but I don't. Instead, I think the FCC should require companies like AT&T to not only continue to offer bulk services over copper but over fiber as well.

If you want the USA to remain technologically competitive, don't be stupid and remove the one thing that can truly help - COMPETITION. Do not kill local broadband, give them even MORE tools to keep the competition going.

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